

Client

A US based AM100 law firm

Client's Requirement

Specifically, the end client was interested in not more than 5 relevant prior art references with around 60% time of searching to be spent on non-patent literature search and remaining time on patent searching. The search was related to the domain of fiber optics and communication. The final output in the form of highlighted PDF copies of identified relevant references was to be provided.

Challenges

The client was primarily interested in the Non-Patent Literature documents on guide pins and dust caps for an optical module from around the globe, which already existed.

Our Solution

- ✓ On the basis of initially shared information, we identified a set of key features from the shared invention disclosure.
- ✓ Various key word and concept based search strategies were formulated using **paid databases**. **Native-language databases** such as PAJ/KIPRIS/CIPO/SIPO were also analyzed.
- ✓ An exhaustive IPC, CPC and US class-based search, followed by leading Inventor(s) and Assignee(s) based searches were conducted. About 1000 - 1500 patents were analyzed. The best results were shortlisted.
- ✓ **NPL searching** was performed thoroughly on all major domain specific databases such as IEEE, Scirus, scholar, CiteSEER, Google, etc.
- ✓ The Bibliographic summary, key strings as well as detailed **Mapping Scorecard** of the two relevant patent literatures and three relevant Non-patent Literatures were provided in the search report, whereby each key feature was color coded in a different color.
- ✓ Relevant sections were also highlighted in the PDF copies of the identified relevant patent and non-patent literatures.

Benefits

IDS-IP completed this project within 5 business days and there was a financial gain of 50% for the client.

Feedback

The client was extremely pleased with the first five search results provided to him and has selected us as a preferred service provider for the firm.